

MINUTES OF AUGUST 9, 1923.

The Board of Public Works met at the office of the State Treasurer at Annapolis on Thursday, August 9th.

Present:

Albert C. Ritchie, Governor.  
Wm. S. Gordy, Jr., Comptroller.  
John M. Dennis, Treasurer.

The Minutes of the meeting of July 12th were read and approved.

The Board of Public Works announced that it was ready to receive bids pursuant to the resolution passed on June 21, 1923, and the following advertisements published in two newspapers in the City of Baltimore on the following dates: July 3rd, 6th, 10th, 13th, 17th, 20th, 24th and 27th, in accordance with said resolution:

" STATE OF MARYLAND  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT.  
\$250,000 FOUR AND ONE-HALF  
PER CENT.

"BALTIMORE-SOUTHERN MARY-  
LAND TRUNK LINE ROAD  
LOAN OF 1922"

Annapolis, Md., July 1, 1923.

Pursuant to Chapter 310 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1922, providing for the issuance of the Certificates of Indebtedness herein mentioned and described and pursuant also to a resolution of the Board of Public Works of Maryland passed on June 21, 1923, and on file and open to inspection in the office of the said Board in Annapolis, Md., the Treasurer of the State of Maryland will receive bids or proposals for Certificates of Indebtedness of the State of Maryland as follows:

\$250,000 FOUR AND ONE-HALF  
PER CENT. CERTIFICATES OF  
INDEBTEDNESS KNOWN AS  
"BALTIMORE - SOUTHERN  
MARYLAND TRUNK LINE  
ROAD LOAN OF 1922."

Said Certificates of Indebtedness will all be dated August 15, 1923. They will bear interest at the rate of four and one-half per centum ( $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ ) per annum, payable semi-annually on the 15th days of each and every year during the continuance of the loan. The principal of said loan will be payable upon the Serial Annuity Plan, as more fully set forth in said Act of 1922, Chapter 310, as follows:

SERIES	AMOUNT	REDEEMABLE.
"N"	\$14,000.00	August 15, 1926
"O"	15,000.00	August 15, 1927
"P"	16,000.00	August 15, 1928
"Q"	16,000.00	August 15, 1929
"R"	17,000.00	August 15, 1930
"S"	18,000.00	August 15, 1931
"T"	19,000.00	August 15, 1932
"U"	20,000.00	August 15, 1933
"V"	21,000.00	August 15, 1934
"W"	22,000.00	August 15, 1935
"X"	23,000.00	August 15, 1936
"Y"	24,000.00	August 15, 1937
"Z"	25,000.00	August 15, 1938

"The said Certificates of Indebtedness will be of the denomination of \$1,000 each, subject to registration as to principal, and all will be issued with interest coupons attached.

This loan and the interest payable thereon, is exempt from the Federal income tax, and from State, county and municipal taxation.

The said bids or proposals must be delivered to the Treasurer of the State, at his office in Annapolis, Md., before 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, August 9, 1923. Each bid must be for cash on delivery, must be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed on the outside "Proposal for Baltimore-Southern Maryland Trunk Line Road Loan of 1922." Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check upon some responsible banking institution, drawn to the order of the Treasurer of Maryland for five per centum (5%) of the par value of the amount bid for. All bids or proposals will be opened at 12 O'clock noon on Thursday, August 9, 1923, in the presence of the undersigned.

On the opening of said proposals, as many of said Certificates of Indebtedness as have been bid for, not exceeding, however, the amount for which proposals are invited, may be awarded by the Governor, the Comptroller of the Treasury and the Treasurer, or a majority of them, to the highest responsible bidder or bidders therefor for cash; and if two or more responsible bidders have made the same bid and such bid is the highest and the certificates so bid for by such highest responsible bidders are in excess of the whole amount of certificates as offered for sale, then such Certificates of Indebtedness may be awarded, in a ratable proportion to such responsible bidders bidding the same price.

The undersigned may, in their discretion, accept one bid for all of said loan or separate bids for parts of said loan as may produce the largest amount; and they may, in their discretion, accept bids which may be for part of said loan, but are not for all, and they reserve the right in their discretion to reject all bids or any bids.

The Certificates of Indebtedness awarded will be delivered to the successful bidder or bidders upon receipt of the amount of the successful bid or bids on Wednesday, August 15, 1923, at the office of the State Treasurer, Annapolis, Md.

Bidders are referred to the said Chapter 310 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1922, as containing the full terms and provisions of this loan.

The constitutionality and validity of said Act of Assembly authorizing the issuance of said Certificates of Indebtedness have been favorably passed upon by the Attorney-General of Maryland, who will also certify that all necessary legal formalities prescribed for said issue have been duly complied with.

ALBERT C. RITCHIE,  
Governor.  
WILLIAM S. GORDY, Jr.,  
Comptroller of the Treasury.  
JOHN M. DENNIS,  
Treasurer.

STATE OF MARYLAND  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT.  
\$750,000 FOUR AND ONE-HALF  
PER CENT.

"GENERAL CONSTRUCTION LOAN  
OF 1922".

Annapolis, Md., July 1, 1923.

Pursuant to Chapter 464 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1922, providing for the issue of the Certificates of Indebtedness herein mentioned and described and pursuant also to a resolution of the Board of Public Works of Maryland passed on June 21, 1923, and on file and open to inspection in the office of the said board in Annapolis, Md., the Treasurer of the State of Maryland will receive bids or proposals for Certificates of Indebtedness of the State of Maryland as follows:

\$750,000 FOUR AND ONE-HALF  
PER CENT. CERTIFICATES OF  
INDEBTEDNESS KNOWN AS  
"GENERAL CONSTRUCTION  
LOAN OF 1922."

Said Certificates of Indebtedness will all be dated August 15, 1923. They will bear interest at the rate of four and one-half per centum ( $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ ) per annum, payable semi-annually on the 15th days of February and August, respectively, in each and every year during the continuance of the loan. The principal of said loan will be payable upon the Serial Annuity Plan, as more fully set forth in said Act of 1922, Chapter 464, as follows:

<u>SERIES</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>REDEEMABLE.</u>
"AA"	\$44,000	August 15, 1926
"BB"	45,000	August 15, 1927
"CC"	48,000	August 15, 1928
"DD"	50,000	August 15, 1929
"EE"	52,000	August 15, 1930
"FF"	55,000	August 15, 1931
"GG"	57,000	August 15, 1932
"HH"	60,000	August 15, 1933
"II"	63,000	August 15, 1934
"JJ"	65,000	August 15, 1935
"KK"	68,000	August 15, 1936
"LL"	70,000	August 15, 1937
"MM"	73,000	August 15, 1938.

The said Certificates of Indebtedness will be of the denomination of \$1,000 each, subject to registration as to principal, and all will be issued with interest coupons attached.

This loan and the interest payable thereon is exempt from the Federal income tax and from State, county and municipal taxation.

The said bids or proposals must be delivered to the Treasurer of the State at his office in Annapolis, Md., before 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, August 9, 1923. Each bid must be for cash on delivery, must be enclosed in a sealed envelope, addressed on the outside "Proposal for General Construction Loan of 1922." Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check upon some responsible banking institution, drawn to the order of the Treasurer of Maryland for five per centum (5%) of the par value of the amount bid for. All bids or proposals will be opened at 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, August 9, 1923, in the presence of the undersigned.

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ALBERT C. RITCHIE,  
Governor.  
WILLIAM S. GORDY, Jr.,  
Comptroller of the Treasury.  
JOHN M. DENNIS,  
Treasurer.

The following bids were received:

<u>BIDDERS.</u>	<u>AMOUNT BID FOR</u>	<u>BID</u>	<u>PROCEEDS.</u>
Mercantile Tr. & Dep. Co. Baker, Watts & Co. Stein Bros. & Boyce	\$1,000,000	100.6389	\$1,006,389.00
Remick, Hodges & Co. Strother, Brogden & Co. Nelson, Cook & Co.	1,000,000	100.033	1,000,330.00
A. M. Lamport & Co.	1,000,000	100.318	1,003,180.00
Alex. Brown & Sons, Harris, Forbes & Co.	1,000,000	100.5823	1,005,823.00
Eldredge & Company	1,000,000	99.92	999,200.00
Barr Bros. & Co.	1,000,000	100.3899	1,003,899.00
Owen Daly & Co. National City Co.	1,000,000	100.085	1,000,850.00
Guaranty Co. of N.Y. Wm. R. Compton & Co. Hambleton & Co.	1,000,000	100.039	1,000,390.00
Westheimer & Co.	250,000	100.7616	251,904.00

The bid of the Mercantile Trust & Deposit Company being the highest bid for both issues, that bid was thereupon accepted by the Board of Public Works, and the bonds awarded to the Mercantile Trust & Deposit Company.

Governor Ritchie called the Board's attention to the fact that the Re-organization Act of 1922, Chapter 29, Sub-division XVI, Section 3, provides that the various examining and licensing Boards of the State therein named shall annually submit to this Board itemized estimates of their income and disbursements during the ensuing year, and that this Board shall approve all or such portion of the same as it deems proper.

The Governor stated that, in accordance with the previous understanding among the members of this Board, he had, at the time said Reorganization Act took effect, requested each of said examining and licensing boards to submit such estimates, and had thereafter conferred with them from time to time about the same; that he had received reports from each of said boards, which in some cases met the purposes of the law, but in others could not fully do so, because of the practical impossibility of predicting receipts and expenditures and for other special reasons.

The Governor stated that in nearly all cases he found that before these boards could submit estimates of receipts and disbursements sufficiently accurate for the Board of Public Works to act intelligently upon them, it would be necessary for said boards to keep their records and accounts during the present year with the purpose in view of submitting accurate estimates at the close thereof for the year next ensuing.

The Governor then submitted a statement of the estimated receipts and disbursements for the present year of each of said boards, based principally on the reports of the preceding year which they had submitted to him, and which from his examination thereof seemed proper to allow, and suggested that the Board of Public Works approve the same for the present year; and the Governor suggested further that he be authorized to instruct each of said boards formally (as he had already done informally) to keep their records and accounts this year in such detail that at the end thereof they might be able to submit to the Board of Public Works and itemized estimate of their income and disbursements for the next ensuing year in such form and accuracy as would enable this Board to act upon the same as contemplated by the law.

This statement is attached hereto.

Upon motion, duly seconded, the estimates of income and disbursements shown on said statement were, after consideration, approved by the Board of Public Works, and the Governor was authorized to instruct each of said boards to keep their records and accounts during the present year in the manner suggested by him.

Governor Ritchie then called this Board's attention to the fact that the said Reorganization Act, in sub-division XVI, section 5, also provided that the Board of Public Works should determine which of said examining and licensing boards could discharge their duties with equal or greater efficiency and greater economy at the office of the Commissioner of State Employment and Registration.

The Governor stated that, in accordance with the previous understanding among the members of this Board, he had, at the time the said Reorganization Act took effect, secured the written views of each of said examining and licensing boards upon this question, and had thereafter secured the written views of the State Employment Commissioner; and that, after careful consideration of the same, supplemented by some further investigations of his own, he found that the said boards fell into

three classes with reference to this question, as follows:

Class I. Boards which handle such large groups, and whose places of examination are so well established, that, in the opinion of the Governor and in that of the State Employment Commissioner and of the Boards themselves, no action should at this time be taken looking to the removal of their offices from their present locations, but that the State Employment Commissioner should volunteer to these boards his services in multigraphing questions, circulars, etc., and in assisting in the conduct of their examinations. These boards are:

State Board of Dental Examiners,  
State Board of Law Examiners,  
State Board of Medical Examiners,  
State Board of Examiners of Nurses,  
State Board of Pharmacy.

The Governor stated that he had formally advised each of these boards that the facilities of the State Employment Commissioner were at their service as above, and that said boards were conferring with the Commissioner with the view of utilizing the same.

Class II. Boards which have special problems, such as reciprocity, rating of schools and colleges, and other professional features, which in the opinion of the Governor and in that of the State Employment Commissioner and of the boards themselves, have to be studied before it can be determined whether their offices can properly be moved or not. These boards are:

State Board of Chiropody Examiners,  
Board of Examiners in Optometry,  
State Board of Osteopathic Examiners,  
State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

The Governor stated that he had arranged with each of these boards for the attendance of the State Employment Commissioner at their meetings, so that the question might be mutually studied, and later on be presented for decision.

Class III. Boards which in the opinion of the State Employment Commissioner could properly move their offices to the Commissioner's office now. These boards are:

Board of Examiners of Public Accountants.

This board uses its Secretary's office rent free.

Maryland State Board of Horse Shoers.

This Board uses its Chief Examiner's office rent free.

State Veterinary Medical Board.

This Board has its office at the Walker-Gordon Laboratory rent free.

State Board of Examining Engineers.

This board pays a rental of only \$6. per month, and does a considerable portion of its work at night.

State Board of Barber Examiners.

This board holds its meetings in the Royal Arcanum Building, and has the use of the hall there rent free. The Employment Commissioner can only accommodate 45 at one time, and many more than this number attend the Barbers' meetings.

### State Board of Undertakers.

This board pays \$540. a year rent, and its lease will not expire until June 1, 1924. Some members of the board think that their discussions are very often such as to require more privacy than might be possible in the Employment Commissioner's office.

### State Board of Commissioners of Plumbing.

This board leases an office at an annual rental of \$600.00 and the lease cannot be terminated until January 31, 1924, upon 60 days' notice.

### State Board of Examiners of Moving Picture Operators.

This board pay \$10. a month rental. They are willing to move to the Employment Commissioner's office.

### State Board of Electrical Examiners and Supervisors.

This Board shares the office of the last above named board, and pays \$17. a month rental. The board is divided as to whether it should move or not. There is probably no good reason why this board should not move, except that there is a question whether the physical facilities at the Employment Commissioner's office are sufficient.

### State Board of Mine Examiners.

This board is already located at the office of the Bureau of Mines, adjoining the Employment Commissioner's office, and pays no rent.

The Governor stated that he had discussed the question of removing their offices with these boards, and that in the case of many of them there was some special circumstances which ought to be considered before finally deciding the question; that only two of the boards pay any substantial rent, the State Board of Commissioners of Plumbing and the Board of Undertakers, (\$600 and \$540 respectively, and their leases will not expire until January 31, 1924, and June 1, 1924, respectively; that all the other boards either pay no rent at all or else paid only a very nominal rent, and in view of the fact that the removal of their offices would involve practically no saving at all, the Governor would like some further time in which to consider and report to the Board of Public Works upon the practicability of these removals.

On motion, duly seconded, the Board of Public Works approved the Governor's recommendations relative to the above three classes of examining and licensing boards.

### SUMMARY OF REPORTS OF EXAMINING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OF MD. ON ESTIMATES OF THEIR RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 1922 AND JANUARY 1, 1923.

In accordance with the provisions of the Reorganization Bill, the various State examining boards and commissions have made an estimate, wherever it was possible to make it, of receipts and expenditures of these agencies between January

1, 1923 and January 1, 1924.

These estimates, tabulated below, vary widely in many instances and in one instance - that of the State Board of Medical Examiners - no estimate could be made at all. In each instance, however, where definite figures could not be given, the boards or commissions based their estimates on receipts and expenditures for a similar period ended January 1, 1923. When this was done, the attention of the Board of Public Works was called to the fact that both expenses and receipts might vary this year from last year's figures.

The following is a summary of the individual reports of these agencies:

BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS:

Income . . . . .	\$450.00
Expenses . . . . .	317.00
Balance . . . . .	\$133.00

MD. STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS:

Income . . . . .	\$517.30
Expenses . . . . .	517.30
Balance . . . . .	None

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF MOVING PICTURE OPERATORS:

Income . . . . .	\$1200.00
Expenses . . . . .	1200.00
Balance . . . . .	None

(Note: The expense item of this Board includes \$900.00, this figure being based on a proposal to hold sixty (60) meetings of the Board during the year, at an expense of \$15. per meeting.)

MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PLUMBING:

Income . . . . .	\$2750.00
Expenses . . . . .	3335.00
DEFICIT . . . . .	\$ 585.00

(Note: The income estimate of this Board includes \$1000.00 received from the State government.)

STATE VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD:

Income . . . . .	\$ 60.00
Expenses . . . . .	60.00
Balance . . . . .	\$ None

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINING ENGINEERS:

Income . . . . .	\$4432.50
Expenses . . . . .	1434.00
Balance . . . . .	\$2998.50

STATE BOARD OF UNDERTAKERS OF MARYLAND:

Income . . . . .	\$1765.00
Expenses . . . . .	1446.95
BALANCE . . . . .	\$ 318.05



(Note: This Board had a bank balance of \$2232.18 on Jan. 1, 1923).

STATE BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS AND SUPERVISORS OF MARYLAND:

Income . . . . .	\$6101.14
Expenses . . . . .	5931.50
Balance . . . . .	\$ 169.64

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF HORSESHOERS:

(Note: This Board has no office expenses and no salaried employees and, unlike other examining boards, its members do not receive a per diem fee for meetings. It charges each applicant for a new license \$2 and charges \$1 for each duplicate. This revenue, which is small, is split among four examiners.)

STATE BOARD OF CHIROPODY EXAMINERS:

Receipts . . . . .	\$ 33.00
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(Note: This Board's only standing expense is \$12. annually for telephone service. The members are entitled to a per diem but, as there is not nearly enough in the receipts to pay it, they have let the small balance accumulate in bank for emergencies, such as legal expenses.)

MARYLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY:

Income . . . . .	\$1300.00
Expenses . . . . .	1300.00
Balance . . . . .	None

MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC EXAMINERS:

Income . . . . .	\$ 200.00
Expenses . . . . .	200.00
Balance . . . . .	None

(Note: This Board has no office expenses or paid employees, the receipts being applied to pay part of the per diem due members of the Board.)

STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS:

Income . . . . .	\$1430.00
Expenses . . . . .	1080.00
Balance . . . . .	\$ 350.00

MD. STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS:

Income . . . . .	\$2400.00
Expenses . . . . .	2400.00
Balance . . . . .	None

(Note: This Board has no office or clerical expense, the receipts usually being less than enough to pay per diem of examining members.)

MD. STATE BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS:

Expenses (exclusive of per diem  
pay for members) . . . . . \$1300.00

(Note: When receipts, which vary greatly from year to year, exceed expenses included in above estimate, the Judges of the Court of Appeals, acting on a report of the finances of the Board, fix the per diem allowance of members of the Board. This varies usually from \$800. to \$1200 for each member)

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BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF MARYLAND:

(Note: This Board declares that it is impossible to make an estimate of either receipts or expenditures. Receipts from April 1, 1922 to December 15th of the same year, according to last report available, were \$2705.62 and expenses slightly greater in same period.)

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MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSES:

Income . . . . . \$5600.00  
Expenses . . . . . 5483.00  
Balance . . . . . \$ 117.00

MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY:

Income . . . . . \$1500.00  
Expenses . . . . . \$1500.00  
Balance . . . . . None

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Governor Ritchie advised the Board that he was advised by Hon. Dwight F. Davis, Assistant Secretary of War, that under the Act of Congress of March 4th, 1923, the Secretary of War was authorized to dispose of various military reservations including Fort Armistead at Hawkins Point in Anne Arundel County, and that, under the Act, such reservations were to be appraised by the Secretary of War, and the State or County in which they were located were to have the privilege for six months of purchasing such reservations at their appraised value, and if this privilege were not availed of, then the Secretary of War would sell such reservations at not less than their appraised value after due advertisement.

Mr. Davis had further advised the Governor that, under this Act, Fort Armistead had been appraised at \$22,979.50, and he asked the Governor to let him know whether either the State of Maryland or Anne Arundel County would take advantage of their option to purchase.

The Governor communicated with the Board of County Commissioners, and under date of July 31st, 1923, was advised by Mr. James A. Walton, President of the Board, that in no event would Anne Arundel County purchase the property. The Governor asked General Milton A. Reckord to investigate the matter and give him the benefit of his views. The Governor received the following letter from General Reckord:

STATE OF MARYLAND  
MILITARY DEPARTMENT  
ANNAPOLIS.

410 Maryland Trust Building,  
Baltimore, Maryland,  
7 August, 1923.

Hon. Albert C. Ritchie, Governor,  
State of Maryland,  
Union Trust Building,  
Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Governor Ritchie:

Replying to yours of the 27th ultimo in respect to the proposition of the State of Maryland purchasing the Fort Armistead reservation, offered by the War Department under Act of Congress, and asking that I make an investigation of the property and to advise you if in my judgment the State should exercise its option to purchase this property, I wish to say, I made a personal investigation of the reservation a few days ago and I found it to be in a most dilapidated condition, all guns and material having been dismantled and practically everything worth while removed.

It is very inaccessible, the only approach being over an exceedingly poor road for probably one and one-half miles. It would, of course, be a very small matter to repair the road, but, in addition to the purchase price, I believe a ten thousand dollar expenditure would be necessary in order to put the property in any condition, and notwithstanding the historic value of the reservation, which, to my mind is the only consideration, I feel that it would be most inappropriate to expend any State money for the purchase of this property.

In my opinion the only way for the State to consider this proposition is for the Federal Government to deed the property, without cost, to the State of Maryland.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Milton A. Reckord,  
Brigadier General,  
Maryland National Guard.

The Governor recommended that in view of the situation as disclosed in General Reckord's letter, and in view also of there being no available appropriation, that he be empowered to notify Secretary Davis that neither the State, nor Anne Arundel County, would exercise the option. The Board of Public Works approved the Governor's recommendation.

The Governor advised the Board that he had received a communication from the Attorney-General giving the result of his investigation of the situation regarding State hay scales in Baltimore City. The report contained suggestions for legislation, and the Governor reported that he would study the matter further with a view to suggesting to the next General Assembly the needed changes.

The Secretary submitted vouchers requesting the following payments out of appropriations contained in Chapter 464 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1922:

University of Maryland	
(Gym-Armory) . . . . .	\$4,700.00
Spring Grove State Hospital	
(Bake shop) . . . . .	\$2,435.57
University of Maryland	
(Gym-Armory & Dairy Hus.Bldg.) . . . .	3,814.85
University of Maryland	
(Gym-Armory) . . . . .	881.00
University of Maryland	
(Gym-Armory, etc.) . . . . .	5,362.14

The action of the Secretary in issuing the checks of the Board of Public Works in payment of the above amounts was approved.

The Board approved the payment of the following bills by the Secretary:

July 14, 1923.

STENOGRAPHER.

Miss Mary E. Harrington,  
Stenographic services, July, 1923 . . . . . \$50.00

July 14, 1923.

RENT, STATE OFFICES IN BALTIMORE CITY, August, '23:

Board of Public Works . . . . .	\$231.25	
State Comptroller . . . . .	52.92	
State Auditor . . . . .	105.82	
The Bank Commissioner . . . . .	169.58	
Board of State Aid & Charities . . . . .	105.82	
The Parole Commissioner . . . . .	105.00	
State Plumbing Board . . . . .	50.00	
Central Purchasing Bureau . . . . .	257.08	
State Board of Health . . . . .	125.00	
		\$1202.47

July 14, 1923.

STATE OFFICE SUPPLIES AND STATIONERY.

Blumenthal-Kahn Electric Company,  
Fan for Comptroller's office . . . . . \$ 30.00

July 20, 1923.

FIRE DEPARTMENT OF ANNAPOLIS.

Appropriation to Fire Department,  
Budget Bill Item 6, Ch. 500-1922 . . . . . \$2000.00

August 3, 1923.

TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH.

Union Trust Company of Md.  
Telephone service, Bd. of Public Wks.  
July, 1923 . . . . . \$ 19.20

August 7, 1923.

STATE OFFICE SUPPLIES AND STATIONERY.

American Ice Company . . . . .	\$ 4.60
Tripure Water Company . . . . .	2.50
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TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE.

Ches. & Potomac Telephone Co.  
Plaza 4300 - June, 1923 . . . . . \$ 45.58

August 9, 1923.

STATE OFFICE SUPPLIES AND STATIONERY.

Baltimore Towel Supply Co. . . . .	\$ 7.85
Union Trust Company . . . . .	7.50
Towel and fan service, offices Board of Public Works, July, 1923.	

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

*Philip B. Schuman*  
Secretary.